

## **OATH FOR MERCHANT MARINERS** **&** **IDENTIFICATION CHECK**

References: 46 CFR 10.202(d) and 12.02-15, COMDT msg 261507Z SEP 01

Prior to administering the oath, Coast Guard officials shall verify the identity of the Merchant Mariner through credible, original picture identification. The picture identification should be issued by a local, state or federal government agency. Examples of credible identification include a state driver's license, a military ID card, a government employee or ID card, local, state or federal government law enforcement ID. The Coast Guard official should make a photocopy of the identification to send in with the completed oath form.

In the rare instance where a Merchant Mariner does not have a credible picture ID, other options may be acceptable (social security card, birth certificate, etc.); however, options must be cleared by a representative of the appropriate Coast Guard Regional Exam Center.

Upon establishing the identity of the Merchant Mariner, the Coast Guard official shall read the oath, and direct the Merchant Mariner to repeat the oath after them. Upon completion of the oath form and ID photocopy, mail the documents to the appropriate Regional Exam Center in an official business Coast Guard envelope.

I do solemnly swear or affirm that I will faithfully and honestly, according to my best skill and judgement, and without concealment and reservation, perform all the duties required of me by the laws of the United States. I will faithfully and honestly carry out the lawful orders of my superior officers aboard a vessel.		
Printed Full Legal Name of Applicant (Spell out the middle name also)	Social Security Number	Signature of Applicant (Sign with full legal name)
Printed Name C.G. Official	Title and Unit	Signature of C.G. Official

OATH WAS GIVEN AND SIGNED ON THIS DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

IDENTIFICATION ESTABLISHED BY PRESENTATION OF (include a photocopy if possible):

Type of document: \_\_\_\_\_